

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2748 - SB 2926

March 28, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases from ten days to two calendar weeks the time period within which the Department of Safety must send certain notifications to commercial drivers.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – The provisions of this bill will have a not significant fiscal impact for FY06-07 and FY07-08. However, this bill would put the state in non-compliance with the federal *Motor Carrier Safety Act* beginning September 30, 2008. Currently, federal law allows up to thirty days for notification. On September 30, 2008, federal law will mandate notification within ten days. According to federal law, an amount equal to five percent of the Federal-aid highway funds would be withheld beginning October 1, 2008, the beginning of the first federal fiscal year following the state's first date of non-compliance. At current funding levels, it is estimated that the state would lose \$25,000,000 in federal-aid highway funds in state FY08-09. If the state remained in non-compliance in subsequent years, an amount equal to ten percent would be withheld. At current funding levels, this is estimated to be \$50,000,000 each year.

Assumption:

- No changes to the federal *Motor Carrier Safety Act* prior to September 30, 2008.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director